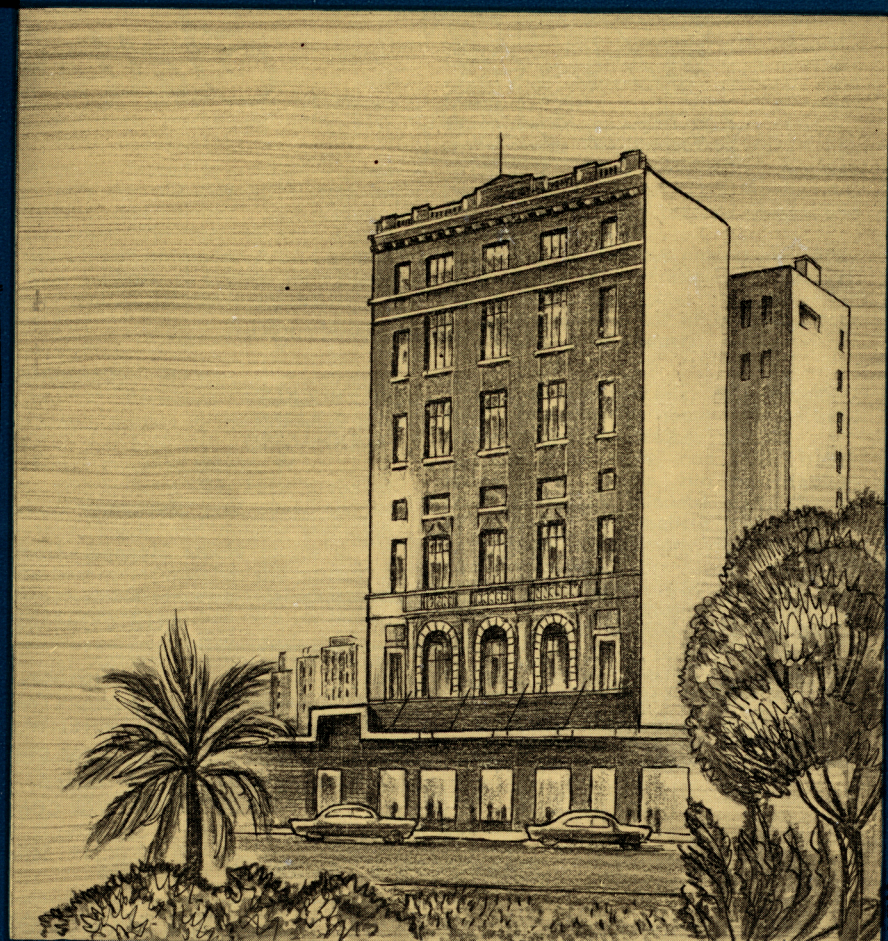




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Club Gossip

Of joy and beauty. Club members had two distinctive triumphs early in October when Messrs. F. N. Leddy and W. W. Kirwan won prizes in a section of the Spring home gardening competition conducted by the "Sydney Morning Herald".

Mr. Leddy's home, "Knole", at 22 Station Street, Pymble, won the first prize for garden without restriction on paid labour.

Mr. Leddy, Managing Director of Philips Radio, has been a keen member of Tattersall's for 16 years.

Sparing neither effort nor expense, he skilfully and scientifically planned effects which ultimately won the coveted prize and his garden is truly a thing of joy and beauty.

Congratulations, sir, from Club members.

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Hilarious reunion. It was perhaps the most unusual at Randwick when six brothers all met together for the first time at the Randwick Spring carnival this month in 50 years.

"Under the big bay-fig tree after the last race in the grandstand paddock," the message said.

And there they were, the whole six, ruddy-faced, big, strong, happy men bursting with rude health.

Claude Parker, who runs the famous spelling paddocks at Baulkham Hills for champion racehorses, is the member of

Tattersall's who organised this happy reunion.

The brothers who turned up were Les. Parker, of Inverell; Vic. Parker, of Wagga; Harold Parker, of Murrurundi; Bill Parker, of Orange; and Bob Parker, of Baerami.

Most of them broke away from family ties when they were in their teens to find pastures new. They certainly scattered wide.

There under the big bay-fig tree to meet the menage and act as master of ceremonies was Albie Callinan and his good wife, former crack jockey on horse and pony tracks and later successful hotel licensee.

"When we moved to a suitable place away from the old bay-fig it was an enthusiastic assemblage," said Claude, the organiser, "in fact so enthusiastic that we almost persuaded Alby Callinan and Mrs. Callinan to change their name by deed poll to become members of the Parker family."

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Chivalry. Mr. Bill Kirwan chivalrously put his 50 Bundarra Avenue, North Wahroonga, garden in the name of wife (Mrs. L. J.) and self. Nice thought. It finished third.

The couple have long been proud of their garden efforts and many sportsmen from inside and outside the Club are pressed to pay a visit to see it.

The hospitality matches the garden.

It is a wonder to many fellow members that Mr. Kirwan has time for home-gardening.

Besides business he embraces so many branches of sport.

He raced horses, including Native Son, who won 13 races, 11 at Randwick,

including a Villiers and our Club Car-rington Stakes.

Mr. Kirwan is a keen handball competitor at Tattersall's Club matches, and swims in our pool. The Native Son trophy which he presents annually attracts the keenest rivalry among our many good swimmers of the younger generation.

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On interstate exchange. A leading Queensland bookmaker, Mr. H. "Digger" Lobb, was recently elected a member of Sydney Tattersall's Club and paid his first formal visit during the recent Randwick Spring carnival.

Mr. Lobb was invited by the A.J.C. to operate on the rails in number one position last season and again this season, to facilitate bets by Queensland visitors.

He was conspicuous among his white-coated staff of 12 collecting, recording, and paying out wagers.

He attracted a lot of business, both in big and small wagers.

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Give us another one, do. Members were enthusiastic about the Club's Aloha Night on October 10.

The dining room had been transformed with palms into a Hawaiian tropic scene, its coloured lights shining like fire-flies in a realistic and romantic background which many declared to be "breath-taking".

The appreciation was a worthy reward for the enthusiastic efforts of executives and staff to introduce something entirely novel and attractive.

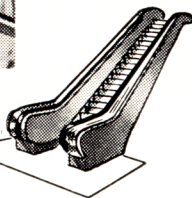
Miss Nancy Kerr's musicians, in national attire, fitted delightfully into

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Club Gossip

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the scene, and Miss Maisie Leetano's Hawaiian dances, her tiny assistant, grass-skirted Mardi, in the Hula was a performance to be remembered.

A scintillating climax was the appearance of leis for all guests.

These added to the feast of colour which made the occasion one of the most enjoyable in Club entertainment.

Mr. James Wilson's songs blended with the novelty of the scene.

It was regrettable that for this Aloha Night, and the previous cocktail dinner on September 12, many applications for accommodation were unsuccessful. Members were saying that there should be more of them, and frequently, so that all can share in the delightful entertainment the Club provides.

Members who booked for the Aloha, and the number of their parties, were: Messrs. Syd. Baker, 4; K. R. Bernard-Smith, 12; A. R. Buckle, 8; F. J. Carberry, 4; G. J. Christie, 10; A. D. Clifford, 4; E. Comrie-Thomson, 4; J. N. Dow, 4; C. Ben Dwyer, 6; G. Eastment, 12; K. F. E. Fidden, 8; H. K. Gayfer, 6; E. Kirchner, 6; J. R. Kitching, 6; K. J. McCann, 8; D. N. Merrett, 12; E. J. Millar, 8; M. Newstead, 6; J. P. Page, 6; C. W. Randall, 2; T. R. Robson, 10; A. Schultz, 2; W. H. Sellen, 8; H. P. J. Smart, 6; A. D. Webster, 8; C. H. Young, 6; S. H. Ravenscroft, 2.

Guests numbered 182.

Help for T.P.I. A worthy cause, the T.P.I. Voluntary Driving Force has asked Tattersall's Club for a little publicity.

The Force, consisting of 150 members, provides transport for servicemen who are totally and permanently incapacitated.

To provide the ammunition for this the Force has 50 good neighbours who provide two guineas a year.

The Force honorary secretary, Mrs. D. Alcorn, seeks another 100 subscribers to meet rising costs.

The Force does a worthy job in transporting the incapacitated from Lady Cowrie Home, Gordon, to Repat., dental and medical appointments, monthly Sunday treats, and many other important necessities which help to brighten their lives.

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From a good school. The fact that innumerable hotel licensees are members of Tattersall's Club reflects considerable merit upon Club amenities.

The number is growing, too.

Latest addition to membership is Mr. Reg. J. Donnelly, who was elected this month.

He has the Goulburn Hotel, at the corner of Goulburn and George Streets, Sydney.

He did what in racing terms could be called a sound apprenticeship for hotel-keeping.

He managed for Mr. Len Plasto at the Hyde Park during that good sportsman's Chairmanship of the U.L.V.A.

Experience with country hotels was also a factor which helped to prepare Mr. Donnelly for his first big City venture.

Mr. Donnelly has played with many of our members at City Bowls Club.

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Died 22/1/1958

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Died 10/2/1958

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Died 14/2/1958

F. J. BRENNAN

Elected 5/10/1948
Died 22/2/1958

W. P. McGRATH

Elected 30/1/1933
Died 3/3/1958

ERIC STEPHENSON

Elected 17/4/1950
Died 5/3/1958

P. A. OATLEY

Elected 25/4/1921
Died 15/3/1958

R. C. LONGWORTH

Elected 29/3/1926
Died 16/3/1958

W. A. G. PURSS

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Died 11/4/1958

E. R. MARIE

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Died 27/8/1958

Dr. A. S. READING

Elected 24/2/1936
Died 1/9/1958

J. R. JOYNER

Elected 24/3/1947
Died 1/9/1958

J. B. COOPER

Elected 24/2/1947
Died 28/8/1958

JOHN CARR

Elected 3/12/1957
Died 13/8/1958

A. R. D. ADCOCK

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Died 16/9/1958

W. A. McDONALD

Elected 26/9/1923
Died 23/9/1958

W. G. CLARKE

Elected 3/9/1957
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NEW EXECUTIVES ARE POPULAR

TWO popular members were elevated to executive office during October.

Mr. Frank J. Carberry was elected Treasurer of the Club and Mr. Leslie I. Tidmarsh filled the position he vacated on the Committee.

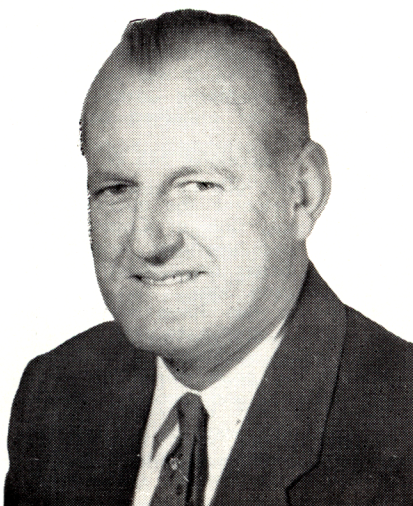
Mr. Carberry filled the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. J. A. Roles.

Mr. Carberry has been a Club member for 30 years and sat on the Committee for slightly over 13 years.

Mr. Tidmarsh has been a Club member for 8½ years.

Both are popular with fellow members.

Mr. Carberry has been an industrious supporter of sport from the days when he was one of Australia's best swimmers.



L. I. TIDMARSH

He represented his State and Australia in many notable contests.

For many years he has been a Vice-Patron of the N.S.W. Amateur Swimming Association.

Mr. Tidmarsh rose rapidly in his chosen calling, bookmaking, to become a rails operator and is the youngest licensee to hold that distinction.

But he had to get there the hard way.

He had been on a world tour before setting up as a fielder on Sydney courses when World War II broke. He was the first bookmaker to enlist.

He was a war casualty in the Middle

East and did not resume fielding until the end of hostilities.

He then rose so rapidly that the A.J.C. promptly chose him for a prominent position on the rails, where he has done yeoman service for the last ten years.

SYDNEY, SPRING STEPPING STONE TO TRIUMPH

Sir Blink proves this with Caulfield Cup win

SIR BLINK'S Caulfield Cup win on October 18 emphasises the value of a visit to Sydney as a factor in the development of young three-year-olds.

He was beaten into third place unluckily by Bold Pilot and Prince Kerdieil in the Rosehill Guineas.

Then Skyline outpaced him into second place in the £10,000 A.J.C. Derby.

But all the time Sir Blink was maturing and improving.

That his trainer, Jack Godby, realised this was indicated by the confident plunge on him in the Caulfield Cup.

He was backed from 12/1 on the course to start at 6/1.

And it takes a lot of money to cut a price in halves like that in such an important betting race as a Caulfield Cup.

The improvement in Sir Blink's form was soon evident when he was one of the first to go after Sydney colt, Skyline, approaching the home turn, and as they swung into the straight he had the race won.

Older horses challenged, but he completely outclassed them to gain a two lengths' victory.

Sir Blink was one of the bargains of the turf.

A Melbourne lady owner, Mrs. W. M. Kellett, was debarred under currency exchange from spending more than 500 guineas on a New Zealand yearling buy.

She was prepared to go to 2,000 guineas.

Under the restrictions Sir Blink was bought at 475 guineas.

As a bargain he follows in the footsteps of last year's Derbies winner, Tulloch, who was the cheapest bought by Randwick trainer, T. J. Smith, at 750 guineas.

A member of our Club, Mr. E. A. Haley, took him and built up a quick stake-winning profit of £66,148/10/-.

Like Tulloch, Sir Blink seems a stayer of outstanding potential.

He may not go as far as Tulloch, but he will go a long way towards becoming a great Australian racehorse.

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FRANK DALTON'S METROPOLITAN FEAT

Once Equalled: Once Beaten

Randwick trainer and Tattersall's Club member, Frank Dalton, had a Metropolitan performance this year which ranks high among historical records in important events.

He prepared Monte Carlo, who ran first, and Caranna, who finished only a neck away second.

They beat the rest of the field decisively with the third horse, Sailor Gay, 2½ lengths away.

The late Harry Robinson, a Member of Tattersall's, nearly 40 years ago had a similar record in a Melbourne Cup, and Dick Bradfield, of Melbourne, about the same period trained all three place-getters in a Caulfield Cup.

Harry Robinson's Cup winner was Poitrel, who carried 10.0 to victory in the 1920 Cup.

His second horse was the three-year-old, Erasmus.

Poitrel was raced by Messrs. W. and F. A. Moses.

Messrs. Ned Moss and Wm. Keogh raced Erasmus in partnership.

He carried only 7.0 and Poitrel beat him by only half a length.

Mr. Moss had Erasmus going for £50,000 at cricket-score odds, but Poitrel's owners, the Moses brothers, who were his close friends, persuaded him to "save" on their horse.

Dick Bradfield recorded his great training feat in the 1919 Caulfield Cup.

He won with imported Lucknow.

His second horse, Nightwatch, was beaten only half a neck and his third

horse, Chrome, was three-quarters of a length away.

Frank Dalton's performance with Monte Carlo and Caranna was something to be proud of.

He told the owners that he could barely separate the two horses and he was right.

Caranna had the race won 50 yards from the winning post, but Monte Carlo, patiently ridden by N. Sellwood and saved for a stout finish, just worried him out of it in the final stages.

Caranna has been an unlucky horse with minor places in a Melbourne Cup, a Brisbane Cup and a Metropolitan. He has been a good game stayer, but current weights have been just a trifle too high for him to succeed.

However, he won the two Derbies for New England graziers, Messrs. A. E. and G. W. Cobcroft.

And just before the Metropolitan they had the satisfaction of collecting the S.T.C. Rosehill Cup with Caranna.

The owner of Monte Carlo, Mr. Ken Austin, has had a varied association with the turf.

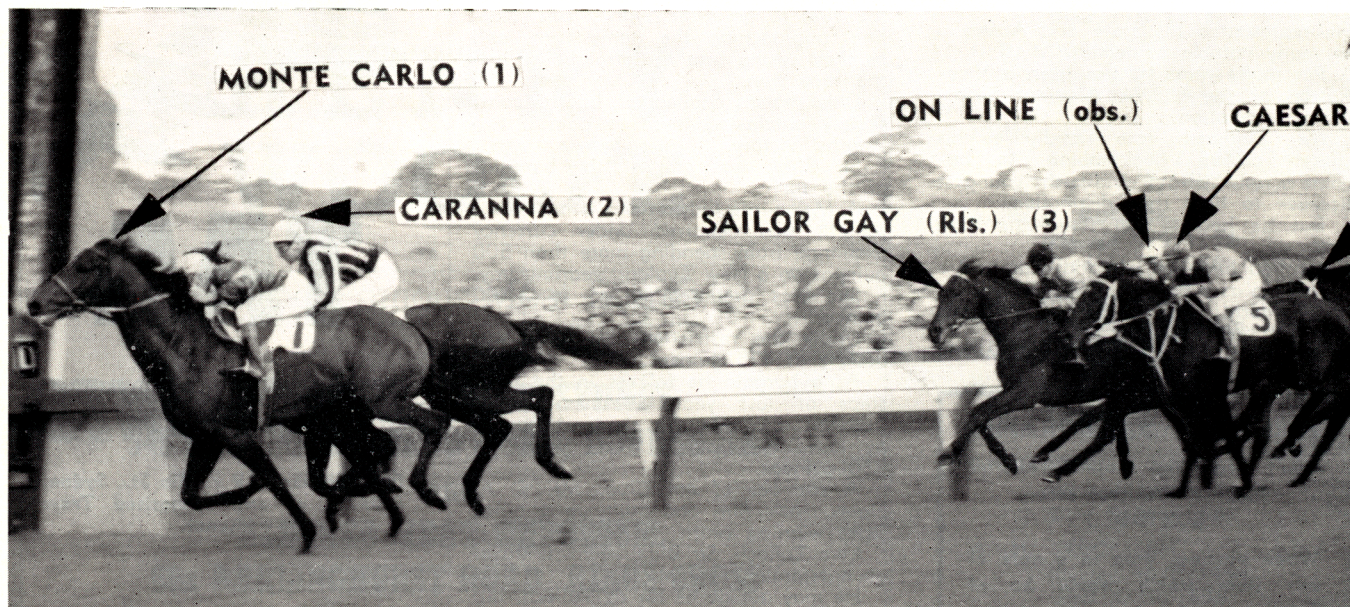
He was a successful N.S.W. amateur rider 40 years ago.

Then he became the auctioneer for the bloodstock firm of Chisholm and Co., who sold yearlings annually in Sydney at Easter in competition with Wm. Inglis and Son.

Before the two firms merged, Mr. Austin left Australia to settle in New Zealand as a studmaster and he conducted a big stud which turned out many well-bred and successful yearlings there.

He bred Slogan, which won two Don-casters, also Monte Carlo, winner of two Derbies, besides the Metropolitan.

These have brought him back to his native land to witness some happy triumphs.



Finish of the Metropolitan Handicap.

A Later Generation Won The Derby

The Crowley family's Second Generation Triumph

From the Club membership point of view and that of the equine angle, 1958 will be known as Sydney's second generation Derby.

Mr. J. B. Crowley was a Committeeman of Tattersall's nearly 40 years ago, but although keen on the thoroughbred never attained to classic race standards.

His son, Mr. Brian Crowley, won the Derby with a grandson of his famous racing mare, Flight.

His name, appropriately enough, was Skyline.

Racing was in the Crowley family's blood.

Mr. Brian began with picnickers, advanced to top Randwick class, then bought and raced Flight to become one of the best mares in Australian turf history.

And now he has crowned his racing career by breeding and owning the winner of the A.J.C. Derby in record time.

Mr. Crowley has been a member of Tattersall's Club since February, 1921.

He is a frequent visitor and a popular mixer among members.

And there is nothing he likes to discuss more than racehorses, their performances and their breeding line.

There are among members profound authorities upon these turf subjects, but none more so than Mr. Crowley.

For many years he has raised his own stock at his New England property at Merrywinebone, and their racing and stud deeds make a pretentious showing in the records of racing and breeding.

Flight had 24 wins and her £30,627 in prize-money established her for some years as greatest stake-winning mare on the Australian Turf.

Fifteen years later Evening Peal's Melbourne Cup success of 1956 put her £67 ahead of Flight.

Flight ran second in the 1943 Derby at Randwick.

It took a mighty good colt to defeat her narrowly after she had tried to lead all the way.

This was Moorland, who two days later was beaten only a half-head by Main Topic in the Metropolitan in record time.

Flight bred a few horses of both sexes, but none came up to her standard.

One, a filly, might have proved first class, but after gaining two minor places in her first three Randwick starts as

a two-year-old, she met with an injury and had to be retired.

This might have been a blessing in disguise for she was none other than Flight's Daughter, who subsequently produced the flying stayer who won the Derby—Skyline.

Skyline takes after his grand-dam, Flight.

He likes to go out in front and set his own speed, and it was a grand tribute to his endurance, stamina and pertinacity of purpose when he did this over the gruelling mile and a half of the Derby and won like a champion and set record time, 2.28-4/5.

This beat Tulloch's record, made the year before, by three-tenths of a second.

The Victorian colt, Sir Blink, made a noble effort to overtake the flying Skyline, but failed by 1½ lengths.

His performance indicated marked stamina, the sort which could win him a Melbourne Cup.

Skyline first showed his promise of quality when he gained a surprise win in the £10,000 Golden Slipper at Rosehill last April.

He defeated the much-vaunted Victorian two-year-old, Misting.

Next start Skyline was beaten into third place by Man of Iron and Nilento in the Sires' Produce Stakes at Randwick.

That failure was a shock to form followers, but probably was due to an effort to restrain his speed and save stamina reserves for the seven furlongs.

It was a sound lesson in tactics, and his speed has never been checked in races since.

The result was a pair of noble all-the-way triumphs in the Hill Stakes, 8½ furlongs, and the Derby.

There had been some doubt about his capacity to stay because he is by Star Kingdom, sire of many sprinters.

Best of them, Kingster, could stay 1½ miles and won the Cox Plate weight-for-age over that distance.

Skyline's wins prove that well-selected mating must succeed in producing a stayer to a sire so bred in the purple as Star Kingdom is.

Skyline's mother, Flight's Daughter, proved this. She is by Helios, sire of Sydney Cup winner, Carbon Copy, and of Woodalla, a Melbourne Cup winner.

So Skyline has a nice blending of his sire's speed, his grand-dam, Flight's, speed, plus stamina, and the Helios capacity to run the longest distances.



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Innuendos Against Bookmakers

HEAVY TURF LOSS IF THEY DROPPED OUT OF RACING

A NEWSPAPER critic recently expressed an opinion that because of their huge betting interests on race results ownership of racehorses by bookmakers should be disallowed.

If such a stupid attitude towards fielders was seriously considered it would result in a sad blow to the Turf and breeding.

A paddock fielder and the writer recently reviewed ownership by bookmakers and the result was indeed surprising.

It showed that the money they put into racing is really colossal.

The bookmaker was Mr. Abe Davis, who, besides his betting interests and ownership of horses, is deeply involved in a charity which generously aids the senior citizens of Sydney and suburbs.

Between us we counted 32 members of this Club alone who in recent years had bought and owned racehorses.

These included quite a few who bred and raced on a very extensive scale.

Some of them were successful in the rich plums of the turf.

Many merely made ends meet.

The majority spent their money on high-priced yearlings with little return.

But with sporting instinct they were there again the next season to lay out more thousands on thoroughbreds.

Perhaps it would be on the conservative side to say that bookmakers spend up to £50,000 a year on buys and training fees and other expenses which the racing of horses involves.

Bar bookmakers from owning racehorses, take that sum out of the turf's annual revenue, and it would leave a gaping hole.

Writer's opinion is that there is a heavy responsibility on the bookmaker who owns horses.

He must be more meticulous than the average owner in his racing of thoroughbreds.

Any suggestion of dishonest running would threaten the source from which he draws his living—bookmaking.

So the onus is on the bookmaker-owner to stick closely to the straight and narrow paths of honesty.

To run his horses otherwise would draw unfavourable attention to his racing transactions, leading to risk of disqualification which could put him out of the game and cut off a highly lucrative income from betting.

No sane member of the sporting community would take such a hazard.

And it can be accepted beyond argument that the bookmaking fraternity has plenty of the sanity which enables them to steer clear of the booby-traps of the sport of kings.

Any suggested inclination to dishonest practices to boost suspicious profits is beside the mark so far as bookmaker-owners are concerned.



Our new Treasurer, Mr. Frank J. Carberry (see story Page 5)

On the contrary, the experience is that they are keen to get good horses, keen to pursue the plums of the turf which make racing and pre-post investment one of the greatest public attractions.

Mr. Abe Davis and the writer compiled a list of bookmaking owners which should afford interesting reading.

Three who enjoyed the biggest success as members of this Club, unfortunately have passed on, but in their day were influential owners.

Mr. Billy Pearson owned the mighty Amounis, winner of two Epsoms, two Cantalas, a Caulfield and a Williams-town Cup.

Amounis was among the most popular idols the turf has known.

Messrs. Joe Matthews and Bill McDonald raced Winooka, winner of a Futurity and Doncaster and also a winner on American racecourses.

Mr. Matthews had another popular champion, Fuji San, whose battles in classic races with Amounis were historic.

Mr. McDonald raced Abbeville, who won the 1945 Doncaster and the New-castle Cameron.

A good mare, Persist, carried the colours of Mr. Ernie Goodall. She won at weight-for-age and also landed a Summer Cup, Anniversary, Adrian Knox, and Queensland Metropolitan. Trained by Bill Kelso, she was always a trier for her colours, and her consistency made her a good winner for the betting public.

Retired to the stud, Persist's first foal is Endure, easy winner of the Gimcrack at Randwick this month, who looks like being as good as her mother, if not better.

Rails fielder, Mr. A. Wolfensberger, won a Doncaster with The Diver in 1948. He has been a consistent buyer over a period of 15 years and punters could back his colours safe in the knowledge that they were getting a "fair go".

The 1932 Doncaster winner, Jacko, was also owned by a bookmaker, the late Alec Williams, father of Ken, who has kept up an interest in racing over a long period.

Mr. Williams, Sen., partnered Jim Hackett in business, and Mr. Hackett was never without a horse. He imported quite a number from England.

He and a brother-in-law, Tom Hickey, had an interest in 1933 Metropolitan winner, Regal Son.

His son, Jim Hackett, Jun., still carries on the good tradition.

He once gave a half interest to his mate, Ted Thorne, of Manly, in Humming Top, who won four races straight, including the Tramway at Tattersall's at Randwick.

The younger Mr. Hackett also won 11 races with Magnetic, and all of them gave him a reputation for racing his horses straight in the interests of the turf and the people who support it.

No one more freely tipped his horses when they were ready to win than youthful and debonair bookmaker Arthur Browning.

He won the Victory Brisbane Cup of

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1946 and many other good races with Good Idea.

His tip to the newspaper men on the eve of any success was: "Tell your readers that I say he's certain to win."

And win they did.

There was no more consistent winning owner than Mr. J. A. (Jack) Phillips.

He won an Epsom with Synagogue, a Moonee Valley Cup with Peter Jackson, a Caulfield Cup with Gaine Carrington, and a Grand National Hurdle with Prismatic.

He was a young fielder at the time, and people somehow got to know that whenever he ran a horse he wasn't out to trick them, but to get the best possible result for the horse and for his own money.

The youngest of the paddock fielders, Lennie Burke, followed this good example with his smart filly, Gay Satin, last year.

She was favourite, or well supported by the racing public in all the 11 races she won.

These included the Adrian Knox Stakes, chief race for fillies at Randwick Easter carnival last year.

Forty years ago a paddock bookmaker owned a good horse named Rebus, who was always a trier for the public, no matter what his weight.

Lightly handicapped, he won a Sydney Cup, then an Epsom with 9.0, and a Villiers and Metropolitan with 9.10.

He was owned by an honest fielder and a good churchman and worker for charity, Joe Lemon, and was always out to win.

This Spring's first two-year-old race of the season, the Breeders' Plate, had only 11 contestants, but three of them were raced by bookmakers—Mr. A. E. Davis' Shield, Mr. J. L. Pick's Dupre, and Mr. L. G. Burke's Gay Student.

If you go interstate in search of a

bookmaker who raced horses honestly there could be no better example than the late Mr. Sol Green.

He went to England repeatedly in search of the best bloodstock. About 1908 he bought a mare with a foal at foot to bring to Australia.

A famous German studmaster offered him double the price, but Mr. Green refused, and the foal came to Australia, proved to be Comedy King, and won the 1910 Melbourne Cup, the Futurity and many weight-for-age races.

Later he imported another English horse, Gothic, who won the 1927-28 Newmarkets with 8.10 and 9.10, and won at weight-for-age at 1½ miles in Australasian record time (2.28-1/2).

Let's look at the more modern bookmakers not yet mentioned who race horses—Messrs. K. Ranger (also breeder), E. W. Abbott, Jack Pick, A. Gibson, Gus Widmer, Jack Mandel (a breeder, too), A. Sing, J. Salvat, Tom Powell, Arthur Paradine, Johnnie Norris, Sam Peters, Ernie Vandenberg, W. and H. Mulligan, C. Cohen, J. H. Davis, C. Deveridge, Norman Hinwood, Jack Large, Jack Allen, J. Rogan, E. Hadley and C. Byrnes.

In the early days another Randwick paddock fielder, G. "Jumbo" Barnett won an A.J.C. Derby with Cetigne.

Later he sold him to an A.J.C. Committeeman, Mr. Tom Stirton, who won a lot of good races with him, including a Newmarket.

On this profound record one could hardly contemplate that racing authority would lend an ear to such an absurd proposal as barring bookmakers as owners.

Wouldn't such a move put a ban on honest-to-goodness triers whose operations are above board, whilst catering for the tricksters who would love to become under-the-lap owners?

As such they could secretly control

the running of horses to the complete detriment of the racing game.

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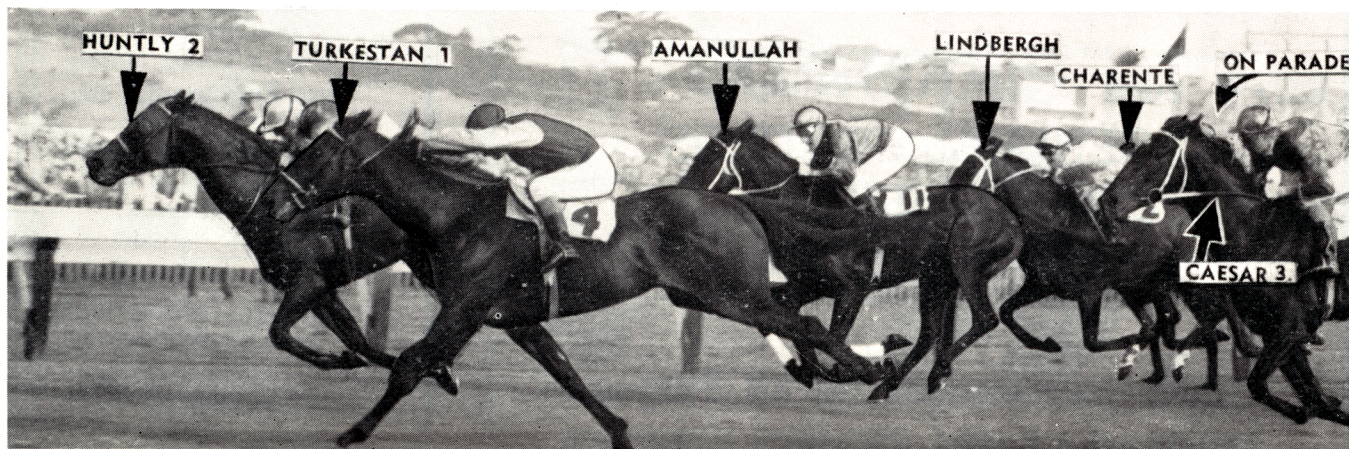


Photo Finish of the Epsom Handicap.

SWIMMING NOTES

Off to a flying start, the Swimming Club opened its 1958-59 season with thirty-three starters for a 40 yards handicap.

Most of the regulars were on deck to see the preliminary ceremony in which Jack Gunton presented some of last season's trophies to winners who were not at the Ball to receive them.

Amidst the acclamation of the boys, Ralph Corrick and Arthur Alsop received their "T.M.S." pots and Harold Herman (2) and Les. Bear were handed their monthly Point Score trophies.

Main topic before the races started was the handicapping sheet, but the handicapper did not receive any medals when it was discovered that almost everybody was on last year's mark.

Honour of winning the first heat of the season went to Bill Kirwan, donor of the "Native Son" trophy, but Bill went perilously close to losing the extra second handicapper Gunton had given him.

It's no use giving extra handicaps to some fellows, as two recipients, Fred Daly and John Brooker, won heats and lost the presentation extra seconds straight away.

Fred Daly took is very philosophically by saying, "Ah, well! We're dinkum swimmers who always do our best."

Best swim of the heats was by Bill Kendall, who showed that his trip overseas has not blunted his pace and swam a winning 19.2.

Two finals were necessary to top off the ten heats and in the first Geoff

Shaw (25) beat Ross Stanford (22) and Bill Kirwan (29) in 24.5.

The other went to John Brooker (25) from Peter Lindsay (26) and Les Bear (24) in 24.3, after a very close race which had the judges on their mettle.

Cuth Godhard is in action again after his operation, but the medicos will not let him dive yet so he starts from in the water and has an extra couple of seconds to help him. Hasn't done him much good yet, but we'll see.

The Swimming Club wishes to advise all members that they will be very welcome to compete in the handicaps which are held every Tuesday (heats) and Thursday (finals).

Start is 1.15 p.m. prompt and racing finishes in time to have lunch at the side of the Pool and back to toil by 2 o'clock.

Time trials for new members may be arranged in the Pool and handicaps are allotted to give the mediocre performer the same chance as the star.

You'll enjoy the sporting spirit and comradeship of the Pool, so come along.

Annual do. The Swimming Club's annual Ball, though not as well attended as usual, was a big success socially and nobody wanted to go home.

Unique decorations, initiated by our House Manager, were greatly appreciated, as was the music by Miss Kerr's orchestra.

Presentations of trophies won last season were made by our enthusiastic

member, "Mick" Murphy, who acted as deputy for our Chairman, Mr. John Hickey, who was unable to be present, his first absence since he was elected Chairman. He was missed by the boys.

Trophies went to Ken Glass, Jim Comans, Col. Bowes, Carl Phillips, Grahame Cole, Ron Allen, Sid Kay and Stuart Murray.

The Pool relay race was won rather easily by Leigh Bowes' septette from that skipped by Grahame Cole, with John Dexter's team third.

Partners of the members of the winning team, Leigh Bowes, Rob Lipman, Hermie Doerner, Ron Allen, Peter Lindsay, Frank Muller and Sid Kay, were presented with prizes of perfume. "Mick" Murphy seemed to enjoy that job.

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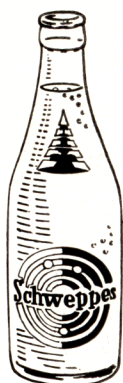
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The "Winooka" Trophy this year was keenly contested, as a prize for players who had never won a first in any of our handball events previously.

The events were all evenly played and the final four were: John Dexter (+9), 1; Sid Kay (+26), 2; Rob Lipman (+25), 3; Ron Spencer (+26), 4.

These chaps fought their way into this quartet against very stern odds. The first semi-final was between Sid Kay and Rob Lipman. Consensus of opinion was that it was an even tussle, with odds slightly in favour of Kay. And so it turned out to be, as Sid Won, 44/36. He played a very cagey game, varying his pace and keeping Rob guessing all the time. The rallies were fast

but every now and again Sid gained that point which put him ahead.

The second semi-final, between John Dexter and Ron Spencer, was a very exciting affair. On handicaps, Ron was favourite and the manner in which he had played to get into the last four entitled him to be respected.

Naturally John, on a handicap of (+9), was expected to win more points than Ron, but nobody expected him to play well enough to bridge the gap before 41 was reached. John, however, confounded the onlookers by magnificent handball and he got up in a photo-finish to win, 41/39. An excellent triumph against a gallant loser.

This brought us to the final between John Dexter and Sid Kay. Handicaps again favoured the long-marker.

Sid showed such excellent form in practice games with champion Bruce Partridge and his defeat of Rob Lipman that most were agreed that he was entitled to favouritism. However, as I have said many times before, "you cannot handicap a good player out of any competition."

Lower handicap men have their handicaps because they are good players and deserve them.

The match began with a very brilliant rally which was won by Kay. The game continued as it began—fast and well played. Sid was winning more than the required number of points to enable him to win against an opponent who was playing well up to standard. Sid led 37/27 and also at 38/29. Then, for some unaccountable reason, he made a few mistakes and lost eight points in a row.

John by this time scouted a kill and was playing like a machine. He did not make a single mistake. He drew level at 39/39 and went on to win 41/39. A really great victory and well deserved. He came from an impossible position to win. Congratulations to you, John Dexter, for a nice win—your first "first" prize. May you win others. Also to Sid Kay for a mighty performance in his first competition to be runner-up. Ron Spencer and Rob Lipman will play off for third and fourth places.

Segenhoe Trophy. Whilst the "Winooka" maidens were cavorting along in their competition, the "Segenhoe Sluggers" were not sitting down.

Eddie Davis defeated George McGilvray, 41/32, and was "cock of the walk" in the top half, and he tells me that he intends to remain as such. Good luck, Eddie, and you have my best wishes.

In the lower half they battled along for the right to challenge Davis, and the results were: Ralph Davies 41 defeated George McGilvray 36; Bruce Partridge 41 defeated Neil Barrell 38; John Bruce 41 defeated Peter Lindsay 31; Ralph Davies 41 defeated Bruce Partridge 36; Ralph Davies 41 defeated John Brice 36. This then made Ralph Davies "Top Man" in the lower division. Therefore the final is:

Eddie Davis (—5) v. Ralph Davies (+14).

To win the trophy Ralph Davies is required to defeat Eddie twice. Eddie, as undefeated player in the top section, has the right to a challenge for a grand final should he be defeated in the first match.

I cannot describe all the games that were played up to this stage, but I would like to mention that new players who have emerged with enhanced reputations are Ralph Davies and John Brice. Ralph improved so rapidly that we had to re-handicap him for the "Winooka" trophy. We reduced him by nine points to +5. John Brice did a marvellous job to reach the final of the lower half against Davies and to lose by only 41/36 was a truly great performance. Good luck, John, and may you continue to improve still further in the future.

The Handball Committee are now giving thought to future events and a programme is being arranged. Events are being planned to suit all types of players and also a social event, our annual "Handball Club Dinner". We will give you plenty of warning and a good time.

Cheerio until next time.

Sad note. Only this morning I heard the sad news that Ron Spencer has lost his wife. To you, Ron, and your family we express our deepest sympathy.



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SPECIAL NOTICE

Reopening of Membership List

Members may obtain an "Application for Membership Form" by applying to the Secretary IN WRITING, giving the name of the proposed Candidate and the name of the Proposer and Seconder.

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On acceptance, the Application Form will be numbered and the name of the Candidate will be added to the bottom of the current list for consideration in numerical order.

28th August, 1958.

L. J. BINNS,
Secretary.

Bowling Notes

The Bowling Section is having a quiet time. Attendances have been disappointing since we have been away from Double Bay.

But about twenty stalwarts have been attending Kensington each Thursday and enjoying the game on excellent greens and with wonderful treatment from the Kensington Club.

No doubt when we get back to Double Bay our attendances will get back to the forty mark. In the meantime, our thanks to the Kensington Club men for their generosity in making their Club available to us.

President Gordon revels in the small fields and Kensington surroundings. He has been a trophy winning skipper on five occasions out of six.

If you are fortunate to be drawn in his team you get a good game, plus a trophy.

Newcastle Visit. On September 18 our 24 players journeyed to Newcastle to the third annual contest between Tattersall's (Newcastle) and Tattersall's (Sydney). Newcastle was successful by 145 to 112.

Results were:

	Sydney	Newcastle
V. Kirby, F. Empson, M. Healy, G. Booth	30	
R. Sanderson, J. Buxton, J. Cummings, D. Mackie		12
G. Cohen, G. H. Levey, W. O'Neill, J. Kella-way	20	
H. McGlynn, G. Giles, C. Griffiths, R. Doyle		23
E. Thorn, J. Gibbs, C. L. Davis, S. Owen	17	
D. Murray, H. Wilkinson, W. Moore, Guy Smith		24
W. Hutchinson, J. Stevenson, W. Burns, A. Turner	18	
A. Tiernan, S. Bain, B. O'Donnell, R. Johnson		31
M. Watson, C. Cohen, S. Peters, J. O'Neill	10	
T. O'Neill, G. Fitzpatrick, J. Brennan, C. Comins		23
A. Buckle, J. Harris, F. L. Williams, P. Schwarz	17	
W. Bailey, J. McKenzie, E. Smith, W. Morton		32
Totals	112	145

Trophy winners for Sydney were: V. Kirby, F. Empson, M. Healy, Gordon Booth. **Newcastle:** W. Bailey, J. McKenzie, E. Smith, and W. Morton.

Secretary Alex Buckle's arrangements for the trip by parlour coach was a big improvement on the plane trip of last year.

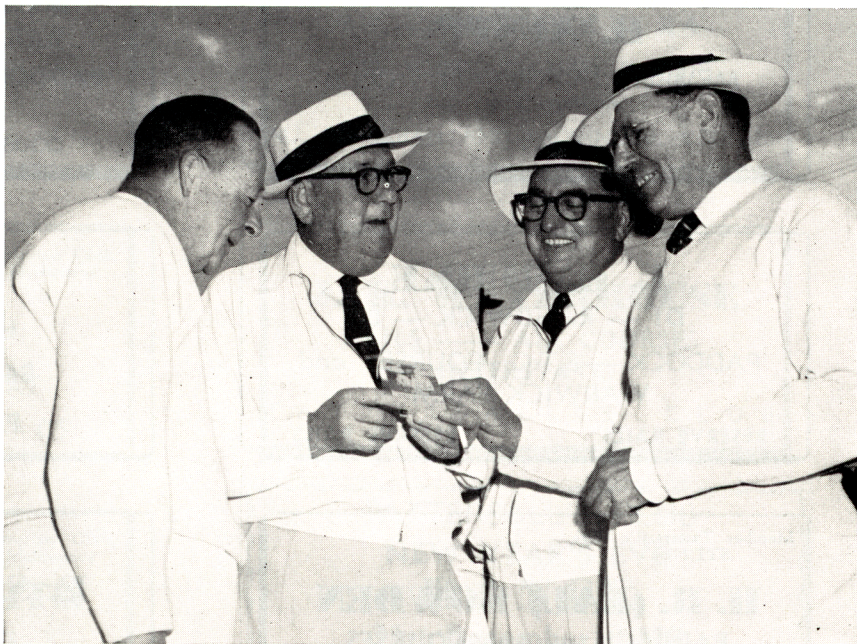
Those who went up the previous day had an enjoyable day at the Newcastle Jockey Club's meeting, as their guests.

Appreciation of their hospitality and attention by Tattersall's Club. Newcastle's Secretary, Brian O'Donnell, made the trip well worth while. Special men-

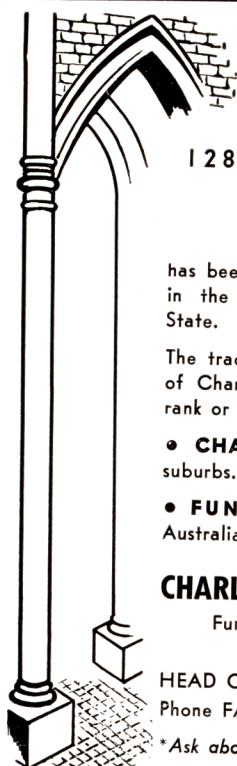
tion to Rex Sanderson, who looked after our team in fine style.

Don't forget the Annual Ball, 4th floor, Tattersall's Club, Tuesday, November 18.

See Alex Buckle for table bookings. This is going to be good.



Intercity bowlers at Newcastle in September (from left): Alec Buckle, of Tattersall's Committee, and Hon. Bowls Secretary Jack Buxton, Newcastle Tattersall's; Dave Mackie, Newcastle and Sydney Tattersall's; and Gordon Booth, President of Sydney Tattersall's Bowls Club.



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